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SUBJECT: MOVEMENT OF REFUGEES ABOARD THE LEAP DAL

REF: (A) GENEVA 3019, (B) SINGAPORE 1809

1. IN MEETING WITH CHARGE AND CONOFF MAY 3 UNHCR REP
SAMPATKUMAR DISCUSSED PROBLEM OF MOVING REFUGEES OFF
THE LEAP DAL IN THE EVENT OF THEIR ULTIMATE RESETTLEMENT.
HE REFERRED TO RECENT MEETING IN GENEVA (REF A) AND SAID
HE UNDERSTOOD FRANCE HAD NOW OFFERED TO TAKE 50 REFUGEES
ABOARD THE LEAP DAL PROVIDED OTHER COUNTRIES WOULD ALSO
AGREE TO TAKE SOME. HE THOUGHT THERE WAS ALSO A FAIRLY
GOOD POSSIBILITY THAT AUSTRALIA MIGHT BE WILLING TO TAKE A
SIGNIFICANT NUMBER. IN VIEW OF THESE SIGNS OF PROGRESS HE HAD
DISCUSSED THE PROBLEM EARLIER THAT DAY WITH SINGAPORE'S
MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS CHUA SIAN CHIN TO
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DETERMINE WHETHER GROUPS OF REFUGEES ABOARD THE
LEAP DAL, IN THE EVENT OF DEFINITE ACCEPTANCE BY
A PARTICULAR COUNTRY, WOULD BE PERMITTED TO TRANSIT
SINGAPORE ON THEIR WAY TO THE COUNTRY OF RESETTLEMENT.
CHUA RESPONDED BY SAYING THAT THE GOS WOULD HAVE
ABSOLUTELY NO DEALINGS WITH THE WCRP. WHEN SAMPATKUMAR
SAID THAT HIS OFFICE WOULD BE WILLING TO UNDERTAKE

RESPONSIBILITY FOR ARRANGING AND OVERSEEING THE DEPARTURE
ARRANGEMENTS FOR THESE REFUGEES ONCE THEY HAD BEEN
ACCEPTED FOR RESETTLEMENT, CHUA AGREED TO GIVE THE
MATTER FURTHER CONSIDERATION.

2. CONOFF POINTED OUT THAT GOS IS CURRENTLY UNWILLING
TO ALLOW ONE PERSON ABOARD THE LEAP DAL WHO IS ELIGIBLE
TO TRAVEL TO THE U.S. AS AN IMMIGRANT TO TRANSIT SINGAPORE
(REF B). SAMPATKUMAR SAID HIS OFFICE WOULD PURSUE THIS CASE
WITH THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS SINCE IT MIGHT PROVIDE A
USEFUL PRECEDENT FOR THE DEPARTURE LATER OF LARGER GROUPS
OF REFUGEES.
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